

**OKAUCHEE LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**

**APRIL 11, 2022 – 7:00 P.M.**

**TOWN OF OCONOMOWOC TOWN HALL**

**MINUTES**

1. Call to Order

C. Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

2. Meeting Notice Announcement

The meeting notice announcement was distributed to local newspapers, posted at the Town of Oconomowoc Town Hall, two posting boards, and on the OLMD Website.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Roll Call of Commissioners

Present:

Carol Wilson  
Tom Godar  
Dee Schriver  
Bruce Miller

Absent:

John Foley

Also Present:

Pat Furno, Accountant for the District  
Linda Goehre, Website Designer  
Arnold Groehler, Animal Control Specialist  
Tim Kay and Alex Kay, Counsel for OLMD

5. Correspondence

D. Schriver described a couple of e-mails she has received requesting miscellaneous information related to goose roundup.

6. Comments from the Floor

There were no comments from the floor.

7. Comments from Committee Members

No comments from Committee Members.

8. Discuss & Act on Report of Treasurer

D. Schriver reported the following:

- a. Total revenues, including \$80,000 loan revenues to March 31, 2022: \$440,314.91.
- b. Total expenditures: \$3,956.18.

This leaves a budgeted balance of \$436,358.73.

**T. Godar moved to accept the report of the Treasurer as presented. B. Miller seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried unanimously.**

9. Approved Checks & Vouchers

**B. Miller moved to approve payments submitted for approval by the Treasurer. D. Schriver seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried unanimously.**

10. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting (03-14-2022)

**D. Schriver moved to approve the March 14, 2022 meeting minutes as presented. B. Miller seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried unanimously.**

11. Discuss & Act on BCPL Loan Program for Equipment Replacement

D. Schriver described that the State would require additional paperwork to continue a five-year payback program from the start of receipt of the funds but would approve a four-year payback program with the submissions previously made by the OLMD. The four-year payback program would be in line with our current and anticipated budgets according to the Treasurer.

**D. Schriver moved that we modify payments pursuant to the BCPL Loan to four years from five years. B. Miller seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried unanimously.**

12. Aquatic Plant Management Report

- a. CHEMICAL WEED SPRAYING PROGRAM. We will continue to move forward with Chemical Weed Spraying Program. Our consultant and vendor, Marine BioChem, suggested using a different application on a limited basis to test a new chemical for treatment of invasive species. This chemical is ProcellaCor. Research indicates that this equally benign to non-invasive aquatic vegetation and

fish habitats, but may have a much longer yield in impact, up to three years, reducing need for reapplication and mechanical harvesting. However, it is approximately three times more expensive than the chemicals used historically in the lake. While we will apply for treatment of up to approximately 180 acres, we haven't the budget nor the desire to treat 180 acres, nor would we receive permission to do so. Instead, any treatment would be within that zone, but it would be based on a review of invasive species growth, would be approved by DNR, and only then would there be a marine bio chem application. The thought would be to take that small area between the bridge and the Golden Mast on the channel and apply ProcellaCor to determine if such treatment could be more effective. T. Godar asked if we have enough data to test effectiveness of treatment, and D. Schriver confirmed that we do. C. Wilson asked whether we had any additional information regarding starry stonewort, and D. Schriver indicated that there was no change last year in the patch near Fooleries, and limited growth near the Golden Mast, but further review will be necessary.

- b. ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT. Mr. Groehler indicated that he has been engaged in animal control since early March, when the ice broke, and that the muskrat population has substantially diminished over the years of our treatment. He also indicated he has trapped three beavers on the north side of the lake. Mr. Groehler anticipates that he may receive additional calls in June when summer residents return.
- c. GOOSE ROUNDUP. D. Schriver indicated that it is too early to determine whether a goose roundup will be appropriate this year. Last year there were so few geese that the expense, \$3,000 or more, was deferred. A check will be made later in May to determine whether goose roundup will be necessary in June, and the necessary paperwork will be completed at that time in order to receive permits.

13. Discuss & Act on Recruitment for Recording Secretarial Duties

C. Wilson is working with a publisher and D. Schriver to complete our newsletter, which will contain similar discussions as in the past. It was suggested that we may wish to offer a short comment on use of the DNR launch and T. Godar volunteered to speak with DNR about use of signal on whether the launch was filled or not.

C. Wilson thanked D. Schriver for taking on many of the responsibilities of Recording Secretary in terms of publication of meeting notices and such. She also thanked T. Godar for coordinating the taking and distribution of minutes. We are still in need of a Recording Secretary whose duties might take between 5 and 10 hours per month in those months where we meet. OLMD has a notice on the website, and formal contacts have been initiated at various Lake Management Districts, the Town Hall, and elsewhere.

14. Discuss & Act on Release of New Website

The website has gone live and while it largely mirrors the past website, it is much more stable and able to be modified. Thanks to Linda Goehre for coordinating this effort as our website designer.

15. Future Agenda Items

We will place the goose roundup on the future agenda, as well as an anticipated closed session to discuss personnel issues.

16. Set Future Meeting Dates

The next meeting is set for the May 9th.

17. Adjournment

**B. Miller moved to adjourn the April 11, 2022 Okauchee Lake Management District meeting. C. Wilson seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.**